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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yoshinori OHSAKI

Application No.: 09/577,608

Filed: May 25, 2000

For: POSITIONING APPARATUS, ATMOSPHERE  
SUBSTITUTING METHOD, EXPOSURE  
APPARATUS, AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING  
METHOD

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: Examiner: C. E. Church  
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: Group Art Unit: 2882  
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: Confirmation No.: 6496  
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:  
) January 20, 2004  
: (First Business Day After  
) a Federal Holiday  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

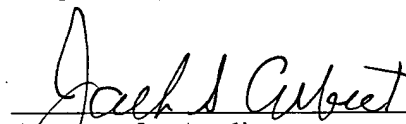
The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	29	MINUS	31	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	7	MINUS	7	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145/\$290						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

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- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed including the additional claims fees.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicant's attorney, Steven E. Warner, may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010 All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGE

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Applicant requests that the Examiner approve the change to Figure 5, as shown in red on the attached sketch, enclosed in duplicate.

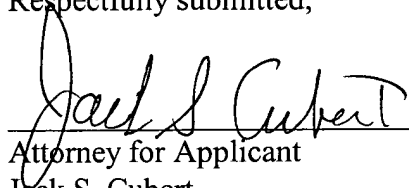
In Figure 7, in step S13a, "EVACUAT" should read -- EVACUATE --, as shown.

Favorable consideration is requested.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jack S. Cubert", is written over a horizontal line.

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